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Fifth Committee

Seventy-third session

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

15:00 - 16:00 Closed — Conference Room 7

Joint informal meeting with the Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) concerning ISIL (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities and the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1988 (2011)

Adoption of the agenda

Briefing by a senior official from the United States Department of State's Bureau of Counterterrorism and Countering Violent Extremism on the National Strategy for Counterterrorism of the United States of America

Other matters

16:00 - 17:00 341st meeting (closed) — Conference Room 7

Adoption of the agenda

Joint briefing by ICAO Secretary General, Dr. Fang Liu, and CTED on follow-up to the Committee's special meeting on cooperation in countering the terrorist threat to civil aviation

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General Assembly

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/
United Nations Population Fund/
United Nations Office for Project Services

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10:00 - 13:00	Pre-session informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
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General Assembly

Seventy-third session

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59th plenary meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights: Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and freedoms - Item 74 (b)

High-level meeting on the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms

The General Assembly continued its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 74 to devote this high-level plenary meeting to the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms in accordance with resolution 72/247 of 24 December 2017.

The President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The General Assembly decided, without setting a precedent, to invite Ms. Michelle Bachelet, United Nations High Commissioner of Human Rights; Mr. Michel Forst, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights Defenders; Her Excellency Ine Eriksen Søreide, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway; Ms. Hina Jilani, Advocate of the Supreme Court of Pakistan and Member of the Elders; Ms. Alice Mogwe, Director of Ditshwanelo – The Botswana Center for Human Rights; and Ms. Florence Simbiri-Jaoko, the Special Envoy of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions and former Chair of Kenya's National Human Rights Institution, to make statements at this meeting (decision 73/531).

In accordance with the decision just taken, statements were made by Ms. Michelle Bachelet, the United Nations High Commissioner of Human Rights; Mr. Michel Forst, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights Defenders; Her Excellency Ine Eriksen Søreide, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway; Ms. Hina Jilani, Advocate of the Supreme Court of Pakistan and Member of the Elders; Ms. Alice Mogwe, Director of Ditshwanelo – The Botswana Center for Human Rights; and Ms. Florence Simbiri-Jaoko, Special Envoy of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions and Former Chair of Kenya's National Human Rights Institution.

The representative of the European Union made a statement.

His Excellency Sergiy Kyslytsya, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy, Argentina, Canada, Liechtenstein, France, Indonesia, Uruguay, Slovenia, the United Kingdom, Spain, Switzerland, Armenia, Colombia, Belgium, the Syrian Arab Republic, Ecuador, Tunisia, Ireland, Georgia, Sri Lanka, South Africa, Chile, Germany, Iceland and Portugal.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 74.

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

291st meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Entry visas issued by the Host Country

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the Russian Federation, the United States as well as by the observer of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Other matters

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Cuba, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom, the United States as well as by the observers of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Syrian Arab Republic and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The Chairman made a statement.

Wednesday, 19 December 2018

Security Council

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8432nd meeting

The situation in the Middle East

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Israel and Lebanon to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Jean-Pierre Lacroix, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Lacroix.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, France, Kuwait, the United Kingdom, Sweden, the Netherlands, China, Kazakhstan, Peru, the Russian Federation, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Poland, the Plurinational State of Bolivia and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Côte d'Ivoire.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Lebanon and Israel.

8433rd meeting

Peace and security in Africa

Drug trafficking in West Africa as a threat to stability

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited Mr. Yury Fedotov, Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Fedotov (via video-teleconference from Vienna).

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Equatorial Guinea, France, Ethiopia, Sweden, China, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, the Russian Federation, Peru, Poland, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Côte d'Ivoire.

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60th plenary meeting

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: draft resolution (A/73/L.66) - Items 14 and 119

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 14 and agenda item 119.

The President made a statement, in the course of which she orally revised draft resolution A/73/L.66.

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/73/L.66, as orally revised.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by His Excellency Péter Szijjártó, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Hungary; His Excellency Teodoro L. Locsin, Jr., Secretary for Foreign Affairs of the Philippines; and the representatives of Fiji (on behalf of the Pacific Small Island Developing States), the United States, Namibia (on behalf of the African States), Canada, El Salvador, Chile, Ireland, the Russian Federation, Singapore and Indonesia.

By 152 votes to 5, with 12 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/73/L.66, as orally revised (resolution 73/195).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Morocco, the Czech Republic, Poland, China, the Comoros, Austria, Lebanon, Bangladesh, Australia, Italy, Slovenia, the United Kingdom, Bulgaria, Thailand, Denmark (on behalf of Iceland, Lithuania, Malta and the Netherlands), Nicaragua, Norway, Turkey, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Belgium and Latvia.

61st plenary meeting

The summary of the 61st plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2018/246).

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Alliance of Small Island States (plenary meeting)

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